APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

Claims 4-7, 11, 14 and 18-23 are canceled.

The following are marked-up versions of the amended claims:

3.      (Twice Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting ~~information~~ a reference position for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register point data, wherein said register point data are divided into an area or block, and said register point data in each area or block are divided into at least one category, and flags representing the presence or absence of said register point data are given to each category of each area or block;

a search means for searching each category of said register points ~~on the basis of said information input by said input means and said data stored~~ existing within a predetermined limit on the basis of said reference position input by said input means, by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register point data in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying ~~a searched result by~~ each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means ~~wherein said register point data are divided into at least one of category, area or block with flags representing the presence or absence of said register point data and said search means searches said register points by referring to said flags~~.

16.     (Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register point data, ~~which~~ wherein said register point data are divided into an area or block and said register point data in each

area or block are divided into a <u>at least one</u> category~~,~~ and flags <u>representing the presence or absence of said register point data</u> are given to ~~said~~ <u>each</u> category of each area or block;

a search means for searching <u>each category of</u> said register points ~~on the basis of said information~~<u>belonging to each area or block</u> input by said input means ~~and~~ <u>by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of</u> said register point data ~~stored~~ in said information storage means ~~by referring to said flags~~; and

a display means for displaying ~~a searched result~~<u>each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched</u> by said searching means.

17.     (Amended)  A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register point data, ~~which~~ <u>wherein</u> <u>said register point data</u> are divided into ~~a~~<u>at least one</u> category and said register point data in each category are ~~divided into~~<u>assigned to</u> an area or block and flags <u>representing the presence or absence of said register point data</u> are given to each area or block of each category;

a search means for searching <u>an area of</u> said register points ~~on the basis of said information input~~<u>belonging to the category input</u> by said input means ~~and said register point data stored~~<u>by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register point data</u> in said information storage means ~~by referring to said flags~~; and

a display means for displaying ~~a searched result~~<u>an area with flags representing the presence of the register points searched</u> by said searching means.